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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SC/ ST BY AMBEDKAR FOUNDATION
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether `Ambedkar Foundation` is providing financial assistance to SCs and STs for getting treatment for cancer, heart etc. diseases;

(b) If so, whether SCs/STs of all the states are getting financial assistance from the Ambedkar Foundation;

(c) If not, the reasons therefor and the names of the States whose SCs/STs are getting financial assistance; and

(d) The steps taken to provide financial assistance to SCs/STs of the remaining States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a)to (d) Dr. Ambedkar Foundation is providing financial assistance for medical treatment facility to the Scheduled Caste patients suffering from serious ailments relating to kidney, heart, lever, cancer and brain or any other life threatening diseases. At present the scheme is being implemented for all SCs through following 10 hospitals:

1) All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi. 2) Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. 3) Patna Medical College Hospital, Patna, Bihar. 4) Jabalpur Hospital and Research Centre, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh. 5) B. Barua Cancer Institute, Guwahati, Assam. 6) Birla Heart Foundation, Kolkata, West Bengal. 7) Kalinga Hospital Ltd Chandra` Shekharpur, Bhubaneswar, Orissa. 8) Tata Cancer Research Institute, Mumbai, Mahrashtra. 9) Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh and 10) The Voluntary Health Services, Chennai.